

Bigby Camp F-3

COMPANY - 1402 - NICEVILLE, FLORIDA - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY, 12TH, 1935

PRIZE CAMP OF DISTRICT "G"

BRIEF HISTORY OF
CAMP BIGBY, CCC
FLORIDA CAMP F-3

Camp Bigby has the distinction of being the first Company in 4th Corps Area to complete conditioning at Ft. Benning and of course the first CCC Camp in the State of Florida.

The Company was called into being April 30, 1933, with Capt. Walter Bigby as Camp Commander from whom it derived its name. The junior officers were Capt. W. Hage, Executive Officer, 1st. Lt. J.W. Howard, Camp Medical Officer. The Forest Personnel were John H. Stone, Proj. Supt., Ranger E.R. McKee and Clinton G. Smith, Forest Supervisor of the entire Choctawhatchee National Forest, containing at that time about 20,000 acres.

On Sept. 15, 1933 Capt. Bigby returned to his permanent company at Ft. Benning. He was succeeded as the Camp Commander by Capt. Ben L. Tew, who served in this capacity until about February, 1934, when he was succeeded by Capt. Bridges. After about six weeks Capt. Bridges was succeeded by Capt. D.E. Haven. Capt. Haven served as Camp Commander until December 1934, when our present Camp Commander, Lieut. Leland (cont. on page 3)

THE EMANCIPATOR



NOTED IMPROVEMENTS
IN CAMP MORAL OF
FLORIDA CAMP F-3

It is true the statement, "The Best Camp In District 'G', covers a world of territory, but we, as members of Co. 1402 have a perfect right to feel that way about it. We do, and until disproved, we shall see it thus.

What constitutes an outstanding Camp? We believe District, together with Corps Area would designate that camp which is running the most smoothly and has the highest morale, the best camp.

Since Lt. Stokes has taken command of the camp improvements have followed improvements. We are getting better meals as a result and they are much better prepared.

New interest is being manifested in our Educational Program. Lt. Stokes with his entire staff, is interested in seeing us take advantage of the opportunity to fit ourselves for more gainful occupations after our term of enrollment is out. He has an enrollment of twenty-one boys in his wood-working class. Lt. Vaughan is offering a course in High School English, Lt. Hoffman is teaching us radio.

Our recreation room has been scored inside, attractive seats have been provided, curtains, a mantel, new

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Published weekly by a camp staff
composed of the following boys:

Claude W. Crump - - - - - Editor
Sergeon McDuffie - - - - - Asso. Editor
Vivian L. Wade - - - - - Soc. Editor
Charlie J. Bush - - - - - Spts. Editor
Franklin Walls - - - - - Metts. Editor

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The CCC In History

Whose idea is the CCC? President Roosevelt, a friend of all alike, conceived the idea of this organization before he was nominated by the Democratic Party for the Presidency. From the study of statistics he learned that around 3,000,000, mostly young men, were idle during normal, non-depression times. He knew many young men out of employment became dissatisfied with life and often became criminals. If our boys could be placed in some organization that would furnish them remunerative work to the government, and at the same time care for them and their families who needed help, and were worthy, it would not only save to the nation these boys as useful citizens, but would raise the morale of the entire country. The greatest opportunity seemed to offer itself in the forest. Hence we feel very grateful to our far seeing President for this opportunity to serve our country as well as ourselves in this great conservation movement.

Can there be any question, judging from past results, that this achievement will go down in history as the greatest accomplishment of this outstanding age of achievements in the United States.

Preparedness

"More than 50 % of the boys and girls of high school age in America are now in school", according to the "New York Times", This is indeed a significant fact in the rapid growth of education in any country. The percentage is higher in urban than in rural communities. In some cities almost the entire population of these ages are in school. Education is rising to higher and higher levels. What can be more encouraging for the future of our Capital Democracy in which the people rule, than the fact a large percentage are acquainting themselves with what constitutes a good and well governed Democracy? When Alexander Hamilton said, "Your common people are a beast", he ment those who are uneducated. In a country where talent has a chance to rise, all who possibly can, should avail themselves of as good education as possible. That is why President Roosevelt, in his wisdom, has made it possible for the boys in the CCC Camps to continue their education during enrollment. Thousand of us fellows will go back home better prepared to assume leadership in our respective communities.

Why does the president use more than one pen in signing treaties and other important documents?

Such pens are prized as souvenirs and a president often uses several so that he may present them to people especially interested in the document.

Too many of us are mere duplicates of what already exists. Every man, in himself, is a "unique", no two people think exactly alike. We are made in the image of other men, but from a different mould.

Emerson once said that "No society can ever be so large as one man." His is the story of men who dominated, shaped and reconstructed the society of their time. Society looks to single men cues and instructions.

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Improvement
...fix-
...shades,
...now reading
...writing
...board tables
...been provid-
...Two pool
...bles have been
...provided while
...the woodworking
...class has built
...two "brand new"
...ping pong tables.

We have new tennis rackets, tennis balls and new indoor baseball equipment. We have a new mimeograph machine which is possible this camp paper, our medium of expression.

A more friendly relation is being established between the members of our camp and the people of the surrounding community. We have heard many remarks from the people of Riceville that there has been general improvement in the last few weeks.

Our District Chaplain made the remark, on one of his recent visits, that there was a very marked improvement in the entire camp morale. He said something about esprit de corps, but we forgive him for calling us that.

We feel we have one of the best District Chaplains in Corps Area, and they all look forward to the time when they can be with us again. We realize that he is really a friend of ours.

Want Ads Column

Men who are not always and eternally dissatisfied and wanting to go home----- men with backbones.

Men with enough interest in their future to take advantage of the educational advantages while in camp.

Men who know what is the best ping pong player.



Camp History

L. Stokes, succeeded him. Our present Mess Officer is 1st Lt. Ellis F. Vaughan, who is also Camp Welfare Officer. Lt. William C. Huffman is Finance and Exchange Officer. L. E. Andrews is the camp's Educational Ad-

visor. March 13, 1934. Dr. W. E. McGuffee of Riceville, Pa., is our contract physician.

It would be futile to attempt to convince the boys of Co. 1402 that a better corps of officers could be found anywhere.

The leaders and assistant leaders will be listed elsewhere in this issue.

Some Company Don'ts

Don't enlist in the CCC unless you can "take it".

I wouldn't get into the evening mess-line minus the old cravat.

Don't get on the woodpile because you failed to clean up your portion of your barrack.

Don't forget the Education Hall. Try to get in at least two hours of study each week.

Don't bite the hand that's feeding you.

Don't pray for two more weeks of quarantine after this one.

Don't be a borrower unless you pay back what you borrow.

Don't break chow-line unless you like to chip wood.

Sick and Sicknessing

Well the scabies boys are still scabbing. We still have twelve of them on the scratching list but I'm afraid we will loose five of them Sunday. W.B. Jones says he "Sure wants to get out of isolation" I think all will be glad to get out of the "Cooks Quarters".

One more case of Red Measles today. Know what that means, don't you boys? Can't see your girls for another two weeks.

I think we are all glad to see our first Sgt., "Benny" Waid, back from the hospital.

Dr. McGriff and I tried to keep "Hoses" out of the hospital but in spite of all we could do he had to go in. He is now in the Naval Hospital. Let's all hope he gets along O.K.

There are twelve men in the hospital now and one waiting for the ambulance to come back so he can go. We have fourteen in quarters now.

O yes, we have a new infirmary dude with us, Gee! Finnie Williams, sounds like an Alabama name.

World Wide Glimpses

Richard Bruno Hauptman will be acquitted or convicted today.

Mussolini calls 250,000 men to arms, masses planes; general situation in Europe threatening.

\$ 3,000,000 to be appropriated for Naval base in Pensacola, if present plans go through.

Administration triumphs when Senate committee reverses wage scale.

Among the Boys in Camp

Wednesday night of last week we had a very interesting talk by the District Chaplain, W.A. McKee. It was well attended and very much appreciated by all the enrollees.

Quite a few of "the new boys" had their first experience Thursday night at fighting an all night forest fire.

A Recreation Club, staunchly supported by the Camp Commander, was organized this week. The purpose of this club is to use camp talent in putting on one program each week.

The club is under three heads which are: Music and Dramatics, Debating, and Boxing. The meeting was one in which very much interest was manifested by those present.

The following Officers and Directors were elected:

President	- - - -	C.W. Crump
V-President	- - - -	V.L. Wade
Secretary	- - - -	C.J. Bush
Serg. at Arms	- - - -	A.C. Smith
Director of Debating	- - - -	S. McDuffie
Director of Boxing	- - - -	H.G. Barber
Director of Music and Dramatics	- - - -	V.L. Wade

Ar and forty men have already enrolled in this club.

It is strange some people don't realize the happiness they can find in helping others. As it's natural for the sun to give light, the clouds refreshing rain, flowers beauty and perfume, so it is natural for us to give.



Radio Flashes

\$15,000,000 appropriated by Congress today to turn the Hawaiian Islands into a great U.S. Pacific Naval Base.

The prosecution, in most scathing terms, today demanded the conviction of Richard Bruno Hauptmann. The verdict will be rendered tomorrow.

1,000,000 aged listed for Federal pensions.

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It Happened At Sea

The Captain recorded in his daily log, "The First Mate is Drunk to-day."

One day the First Mate recorded the ship's log, and he stated, very laconically, "The Captain is sober to-day."

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Read the Papers Sometimes

Enrolled Talbott--- "It is reported in the paper that the jury will decide if Bruno Richard Hauptmann is innocent or guilty some day next week!"

Enrolled Thorpe--- "Uh! huh! I was afraid Lt. Hoffman might get into trouble if he left camp so long. I sure hope he is not convicted."

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After enrolled Barber had dropped a nickel into Finck's pay telephone and waited 5 minutes he was asked what he was waiting for. He said, "Gum"



BITS OF HUMOR

"Don't worry any more about him, dear. There are plenty more fish in the sea."

"I know," said the jilted, "But he was a gold fish".

Mrs. H--- "I'm bothered with a little wart that I would like to have removed."

Doctor--- "The divorce lawyer is at the second door to your left."

"What is Philip doing these days?"

"Running a branch business."

"But where on earth buys branches?"

Earl Grover

Pollard It Or Not

A cert in "peavie" ate 15 biscuits, 1 loaf of bread, 4 slices of meat loaf, 2 helpings of "spuds", all the stew that could be issued him, a few other dishes with all the trimmings plus a few cups of coffee.--- HM-r-m DO we get enough to eat?

There is a "thorpe" in Nicoville, he took care of 18 fair dandies and their boxes at a box-supper given at the Methodist Church last week.

A certain "Guy" that smokes a pipe with a very long stem missed a gay occasion; a birth-day party given in honor of a well known "blonde" about these parts. That's

where the quarantine pops up again.

A certain enrolled has finally come to the conclusion that the world is spherical. Thanks to the Education Department

We didn't have "spuds" for all three meals one day this week.--- We also had butter for breakfast one morning.

A certain boy slept in a burning bed the other night until he lost (through the damage of fire) a section of his lower "undies".

A certain "peavie" failed to get at least 3 letters on day of this week. ("aint love grand)

Maggie was caught without his peculiarly shaped hat on.

Company Rated List:

Leaders:

Adams, J.Q.	- - - -	-U.S.F.S.
Beck, C.T.	- - - -	-Cook.
Ellison, M.R.	- - - -	-Gr. Cor
Hayslip, S.W.	- - - -	-Mess Steward
Holms, J.C.	- - - -	-U.S.F.S.
Holms, J.R.	- - - -	-U.S.F.S.
Lee, F.P.	- - - -	-Supply Sgt.
Holmes, H.W.	- - - -	-U.S.F.S.
Newton, W.B.	- - - -	-Cook.
Waid, D.K.	- - - -	-1st. Sgt.
Whitfield, W.	- - - -	-U.S.F.S.

Assistant Leaders:

Aldrich, R.H.	U.S.F.S.
Bush, C.J.	U.S.F.S.
Chamberlin, D.	Co. clerk
Hawkins, H.I.	U.S.F.S.
Hester, R.J.	Cook
O'Grady, F.J.	Cook
McCullough, I.S.	U.S.F.S.
McDuffie, S., Jr.	A.C.E.A.
McMicken, V.A.	U.S.F.S.
Nathoy, W.T.	U.S.F.S.
Pitts, C.J.	U.S.F.S.
Purvis, W.D.	U.S.F.S.
Sabo, J.L., Jr.	Forest Clerk
Webb, J.T.	Cook
Williamson, Joel	U.S.F.S.
Ellis, S.	U.S.F.S.

pong tournament to be inaugurated in the near future, under the direction of Lt. Vaughan, will report to him right away.

Who started that song, "When you 'gonna' rain again?" Someone compose a song, "When you 'gonna' stop again?"---raining

Don't forget the Recreation Society's entertainment Friday night 6 o'clock. There will be debating, both serious and humorous, boxing, music, singing, and no telling what else. Don't miss it.

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CCC Ifs

If you can hold your self-respect when others their's are losing

If you can manage your own affairs when other's are confusing.

If you can walk with drunks and sober keep.

If you can talk with fools and not seem too learned.

If you can talk with educators and not seem to be illiterate,

And forget to use the vocabulary you constructed in school.

If you can take a bath when others have your soap.

Or dress for town when others have your clothes.

If you can read while others a match desire

Or work mathematics in a noisy crowd.

If you can take it on the chin and grin,

When others wish you all your clothes to lend.

You'll be a real CCC man.

Rupert Brown reports that the first trees to be transplanted in the Choctawhatchee Area, since the CCC, were set t -day.

Those who wish to enter a ping

